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<b>Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
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Type: a) ☒ Telephonic    b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant    2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes    e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 13 and 16.

Identification of prior art discussed: US 5,895,428; and US 6,063,121.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The Applicants intend to amend independent claim 13 and 16 to indicate the spring as "resilient and deformable" and as "monolithically formed" (or similar claim language).

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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